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1. Two columns of 75 soldiers each left the Fridericus Kaserne on Altruppiner Chaussee, Neuruppin (N 53/2 49) on 23 December 1950. The soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets and carried carbines. Motor vehicles at the [REDACTED]

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2. The Friedrich Franz Kaserne on Fehrbelliner Strasse seemed to be occupied to capacity on 23 December. All windows were lighted at nightfall. Five columns, each led by two officers and numbering 75 to 90 soldiers, were observed entering the installation. *

On 29 December, 12 columns each of about 30 soldiers, five columns each of about 45 soldiers and four groups each of five to eight officers, left the Friedrich Franz Kaserne for the former Fontane Schule (girls' school) on Houstadter Strasse. The soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets. Motor [REDACTED]

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3. On 24 December, the Fridericus Kaserne was occupied beyond normal capacity by about 5,000 troops. Four columns, each of 40 unarmed soldiers, left the installation on 2 January 1951. The soldiers wore red-bordered black epau-

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4. On 21 December, the Gee Kaserne was still occupied to capacity by about 1,200 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, mostly with tank insignia. Two units, each of about 50 unarmed soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia, were seen leaving the installation. Six JS tanks and [REDACTED] at the Gee Kaserne on 27 December.

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At about 2:30 p.m., 12 groups of 15 soldiers left the installation and marched toward Altruppin. The [REDACTED] wore red-bordered black epaulets and carried rifles and gas masks. The officers and NCOs with the troops wore tank insignia on their epaulets. Six JS tanks left the Gee Kaserne toward [REDACTED]

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5. A low wooden building at Scholtenplatz housed a guard detail of about 30 EM who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Since trucks were unable to pass through the small doors of the four garages there, source thought that heavy mortars were stored there. It could not be determined whether the five earth shelters on Trenkmannstrasse contained fuel or ammunition. Unlike the shelters on Scholtenstrasse, they had no fire extinguishers or ventilation shafts. Motor vehicles observed at Scholtenplatz were numbered

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been set up at the intersection of Scholtenstrasse and Feldmannstrasse, it was difficult to determine whether the vehicles came from Scholtenplatz or from the south gate of the See Kaserne.

6. The Friedrich Franz Kaserne was occupied on 4 January by about 1,300 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, some with artillery insignia. About 30 EM were engaged in aiming practice with four 122-mm guns and about 60 EM did gun drill with eight guns of 100 or 120 mm caliber in the barracks yard. [REDACTED] were seen leaving the installation.

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7. Five AA guns were newly observed to be emplaced about 300 meters west of the telegraph construction office near the Friedrich Franz Kaserne. The guns were covered with canvas and had barrels about 2 meters long. They were guarded by two sentries who wore red-bordered black epaulets. [REDACTED] was standing between the AA gun emplacements and the barracks installation. It had its rod antenna extended and was connected with the installation by a double telephone line.

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8. At about 3:30 p.m. on 4 January, six columns each of 36 soldiers were observed entering the Fontane Schule (girls' school) on Neustadter Strasse. The soldiers wore red-bordered black epaulets and were unarmed. Trucks

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9. At about 9:30 a.m., on 2 January, [REDACTED] epaulets, was seen at the drill field about 1 km northeast of the Storböck church.

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